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Memorandum

TO: Legislation Committee

FR: Deputy Executive Director, Policy

RE: AB 2094 (DeSaulnier) — Joint Powers Committee Membership

Description

AB 2094 (DeSaulnier) makes the Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC) full, voting membership on the Joint Policy Committee (JPC). It also gives BCDC, together with partner agencies, authority to plan for sea-level rise in the Bay.

Recommendation: Modify the current position of support to "support and seek amendments"

Discussion

In March of this year, MTC voted to support this bill. BCDC has been attending JPC meetings as a non-voting member for a little over a year. In 2007, the JPC voted to seek legislation giving it the authority to invite BCDC and other relevant agencies to join the Committee as full members.

While AB 2094 does not give the JPC the authority to add other members at will, as it requested, it does add BCDC as a full member, as desired by both the JPC and BCDC. The provision giving BCDC the authority, with other agencies, to plan for sea-level rise is consistent with the Regional Agencies Climate Protection Program approved by the Joint Policy Committee in July of 2007.

ABAG has requested that MTC support the ABAG position that at least half of the BCDC members appointed to serve on the JPC be locally elected officials. Staff is bringing this measure back to the Legislation Committee to support this suggested approach, and modify the Commission's current support position to now be "support and seek amendments."

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